

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 83 public bills, H.R. 8, 264–355; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 22; H. Con. Res. 3; and H. Res. 26–27, 29–30, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 28, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 264) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 265) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 266) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 267) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 116–1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McGovern to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:18 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yeas-and-nays vote of 235 yeas to 161 nays with two answering "present", Roll No. 15.

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Oath of Office Designation—Communication: Pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 22, 116th Congress, the Chair laid down a communication from the Honorable G.K. Butterfield of North Carolina reporting the administration of the oath of office to the Honorable Walter Jones of North Carolina on January 4, 2019, and stating that two copies of the oath, signed by Representative Jones, had been delivered to the Clerk of the House.

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Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the adminis-

tration of the oath to the gentleman from North Carolina, the whole number of the House is 434.

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United States Semiquincentennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the United States Semiquincentennial Commission: Representative Evans.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:10 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 26, electing Members to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Medicaid Extenders Act of 2019: H.R. 259, amended, to extend the Medicaid Money Follows the Person Rebalancing demonstration, to extend protection for Medicaid recipients of home and community-based services against spousal impoverishment;

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Reauthorizing certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, to clarify the regulatory framework with respect to certain nonprescription drugs that are marketed without an approved drug application: H.R. 269, to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, to clarify the regulatory framework with respect to certain nonprescription drugs that are marketed without an approved drug application, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 401 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 13;

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Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program Extension Act: H.R. 251, to extend by two years the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 14;

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Incentivizing Fairness in Subcontracting Act: H.R. 227, to amend the Small Business Act to specify what credit is given for certain subcontractors and to provide a dispute process for non-payment to subcontractors; and

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Small Business Advocacy Improvements Act of 2019: H.R. 128, to clarify the primary functions and

duties of the Office of Advocacy of the Small Business Administration. **Pages H273–75**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:32 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H275**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Clarity on Small Business Participation in Category Management Act of 2019: H.R. 226, to amend the Small Business Act to include best in class designations in the annual report on small business goals prepared by the Administrator of the Small Business Administration. **Pages H270–71**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H275–76, H276–77, and H277. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019; TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019; AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019; DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 116th Congress; and a hearing on H.R. 264, the “Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2019”; H.R. 267, the “Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”; H.R. 265, the “Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”; and H.R. 266, the “Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”. The Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 116th Congress and subcommittee ratios, and Rep-

resentative Hastings was designated the Vice Chair of the Committee. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 264, the “Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2019”; H.R. 265, the “Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”; H.R. 266, the “Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”; and H.R. 267, the “Department of Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019”; each under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate on each bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of each bill. The rule provides that each bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in each bill. The rule provides each bill one motion to recommit. The rule waives the requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of January 15, 2019, relating to a measure making or continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. Testimony was heard from Representatives Quigley, Graves of Georgia, Bishop of Georgia, Aderholt, McCollum, Calvert, Price of North Carolina, Diaz-Balart, and Newhouse.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH–219.

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No hearings are scheduled.